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DISASTER MANAGEMENT POLICY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of features of the new Disaster Management Policy of the Government with respect to droughts in the country; and

(b) the important recommendations of the Twelfth Finance Commission relating to drought relief?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA):

(a) and (b) The Twelfth Finance Commission has, as such, not laid down any new policy for the Disaster management. It has recommended continuance of the existing policy which envisages Disaster management through the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF). For droughts, relief assistance is admissible for Input Subsidy, Employment Generation, Supplementary Nutrition, Gratuitous Relief, Drinking Water,Health and Fodder.